

Programme (DPEP) in Madhya Pradesh. At present, the programme is being implemented in 19 Districts in the State of Madhya Pradesh. An additional 15 districts have been identified for coverage under the Programme. A statement showing the names of the Districts and the financial provisions made for each District under the programme during the Years 1996-97 and 1997-98 is annexed.

(b) Assessment of DPEP activities under Rajiv Gandhi Prathamik Shiksha Mission is periodically done by Joint Supervision Missions. As per reports of these Missions, the progress of implementation of DPEP in Madhya Pradesh is by and large satisfactory. The Government of Madhya Pradesh has informed that the question of misuse of funds does not arise. A comprehensive In-depth Review of the Programme is scheduled in September-October 1997. The accounts of the society for the years 1994-95 and 1995-96 have already been audited by the Chartered Accountant.

(c) and (d) The services of not only primary and middle school teachers, but also of all Government and non-Government persons who offered voluntarily without affecting their routine work were availed, hence studies of boys and girls remained unaffected.

Statement

Names of the Districts in Madhya Pradesh covered under District Primary Education Programme and the financial provisions made for the years 1996-97 and 1997-98.

		Financial Provision (Rs. in Lakhs)	
S.No.	Name of the Districts	1996-97	1997-98 (Proposed)
1	2	3	4
1.	Bilaspur	683.03	531.53
2.	Shahdol	585.77	655.51
3.	Mandsaur	466.43	457.03
4.	Ratlam	412.55	394.72
5.	Sarguja	730.38	536.94
6.	Raigarh	606.80	592.42
7.	Dhar	577.23	533.25
8.	Rewa	524.53	458.37
9.	Rajgarh	372.60	390.72
10.	Raisen	431.30	326.89
11.	Chhatarpur	445.83	415.98
12.	Guna	470.77	404.11
13.	Rajnandgaon	554.43	416.36
14.	Betul	404.50	365.78
15.	Sidhi	524.67	492.77

1	2	3	4
16.	Panna	271.62	255.64
17.	Satna	483.68	511.19
18.	Sehore	395.34	306.28
19.	Tikamgarh	356.65	405.89

List of additional districts to be covered under the Programme :

1. Mandla
2. Seoni
3. Shivpuri
4. Bhind
5. Morena
6. Bastar
7. Vidisha
8. Jhabua
9. Datia
10. Khargone
11. Dewas
12. Shajapur
13. Raipur
14. Khandwa
15. Damoh

(Financial provision for these districts is still under finalisation)

[English]

Four Lane and Bypass in Kerala

1955. SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDARAN : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Kerala has made any request to accord priority for any four laning of any of the stretches on NHs in the State :

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Union Government thereto;

(c) whether there is any proposal from Kerala accord sanction for bypasses in the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir, The State P.W.D. has proposed 4 laning of selected reaches of NH-47 (total length 233.76 Km) during the 9th Five Year Plan which is yet to be finalised.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Construction of Kollam bypass (Phase-II) and Tellicherry Mahe bypass (Phase-I) on

NH-47 are included in the Annual Plan 1997-98. The Technical Proposal for Kollam Bypass Phase-II has been received and is being processed.

[Translation]

Allocation for Development of Cantonments in Delhi

1956. SHRI JAI PRAKASH AGARWAL : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the total allocation of funds during each of the last three years for undertaking development work of cantonments in National Capital Territory of Delhi;

(b) whether concrete steps have been taken or proposed to be taken to solve the problems of supply of water and electricity in the cantonments in National Capital Territory of Delhi; and

(c) if so, the schemes prepared for providing facilities to the cantonment boards so as to provide basic amenities to the people living in cantonment areas of Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) The following amounts were allocated for development works :-

	(in Rupees)
1994-95	3,11,64,726
1995-96	6,05,82,211
1996-97	5,37,72,990

(b) and (c) To ensure sufficient water supply to its residents in Delhi Cantonment, in addition to the bulk water supply received from Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD), the Cantonment Board has taken up schemes to provide and supply water through an extensive network of distribution lines connected to its tubewells, overhead tanks, sumps and pump houses. Electricity is supplied by Delhi Vidyut Board directly to consumers in Delhi Cantonment.

[English]

Air Safety Committees for Kerala Airports

1957. SHRI T. GOVINDAN : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Committee has been set up to review the air safety arrangements of all the airports in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details of their report/recommendations made alongwith the shortcomings of each of these airports; and

(c) the action taken by the Government on the report?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Removal of National Anthem and Song

1958. SHRI RAM NAIK : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether it was brought to the notice of the Government that the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT) has decided to do away with the practice of printing the national anthem and national song on the inside covers of every book meant for students from classes I to XII;

(b) if so, whether the Government have ascertained the reasons for removing the national anthem and the national song;

(c) if so, whether the Government approve the change initiated by the SCERT; and

(d) if not, the steps taken/proposed to ensure restoration of the above two songs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be placed on the Table of the Sabha.

Privatisation of Cultural Projects

1959. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have evolved a plan to boost culture related projects by involving private sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the share of the private sector to it?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) and (b) The Government of India have set up a National Culture Fund (NCF) in terms of a Notification published in the Gazette of India Extraordinary dated 28.11.96. Copies of the Notification are already available in the Parliament Library. Notification mentioned also details a scheme for the administration of the NCF, which provides that the NCF may also accept contributions from statutory bodies created under the Acts of Parliament or of the State Legislatures, United Nations and its associate bodies, other international organisations, private and